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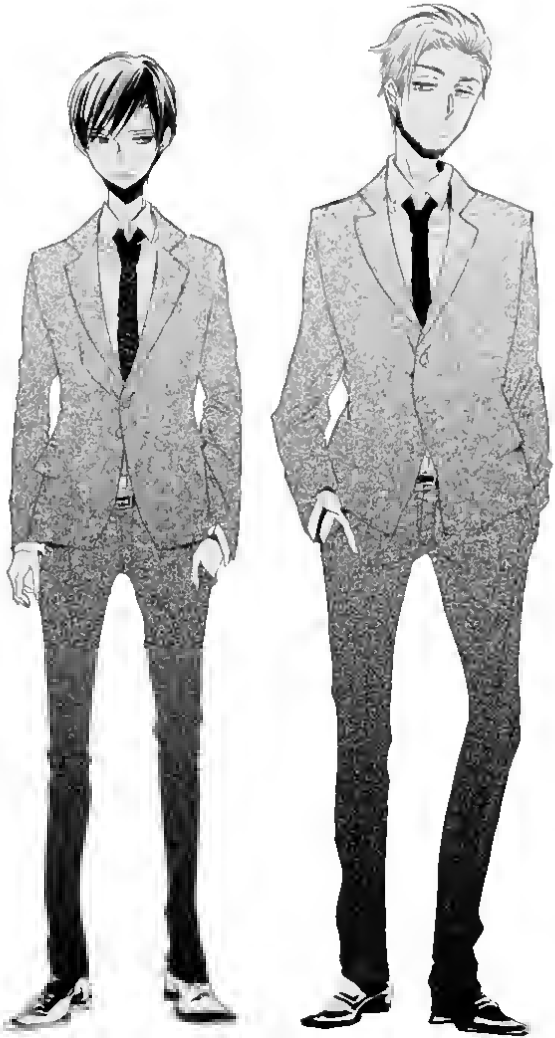

SO WHAT DID WE NEED TO DO AGAIN ABOUT THE LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE AND PROOF OF EXPENSES FOR THE HOSPITAL IN GERMANY AGAIN?
AH, PROFESSOR MIYASHITA SAID TO COME GET THEM FROM HIM
BOTH OF YOU SHOULD MAKE SURE TO GET THAT DONE SOON
SINCE IT'S ALMOST THE END OF SUMMER

IT'S BEST TO GET THE PACKING AND PAPERWORK OUT OF THE WAY QUICKLY
THAT'S TRUE.
EH?
YOU HAVE THIS WEEK-END OFF TOO, RIGHT?
ARE YOU GOING TO GO HOME?
ONE MONTH AGO
...
THEN WE'LL HAVE TO PREPARE THE TRAINING COURSE IMM-EDIATELY...
I MAY NOT BE VERY SKILLED
BUT I WILL TRY MY BEST
I SEE, SO YOU'LL DO IT!
That's great
AKABOSHI GAVE IN HIS ACCEPTANCE FORM TO GO TO GERMANY THE DAY AFTER I DID

AKABOSHI-SENSEI!
AH~ WHAT A RELIEF!
IT WAS-N'T LIKE YOU NOT TO AIM HIGHER!
HOW ABOUT WE CELEBRATE WITH A FEW DRINKS
SORRY
I'D LIKE TO BE ALONE FOR A WHILE.
BY THE AFTERNOON HE WAS BACK TO THE USUAL AKABOSHI, SMILING AT HIS PATIENTS

DID HE END IT?
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HEY, YOU KNOW THE HEALTH EXAMINATION THE OTHER DAY?
I GAINED 3KG~ I'M 75KG NOW.
HOW DID IT GO FOR AKABOSHI-SENSEI?

Meat will save this world, you know?!
LET'S EAT SOME PROPER MEAT, OKAY—?
HMMM
I EAT QUITE A LOT
I had 3 bowls of rice yesterday
NO, NO, NO...
EH—
SO?!
SO AT 173?!
THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT!
Too thick
RI...RINA-CHAN...
I can't do it after all. Let's break up. I just can't go out with
OKAY
Give me a sec.
OH I'VE GOT MAIL.

I DID ALL THE ASSIGN-MENTS AS FAST AS I COULD...
HOW DID YOU EVEN FIND THE TIME TO DATE DURING THIS TRAINING PERIOD?
WAIT, IS IT BECAUSE WE ONLY WENT ON ONE DATE...?
WE ONLY WENT ON ONE DATE...
IT'S FINE.
...WE TALKED IT OUT THE OTHER DAY...
GASP! AH NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I...
THAT'S TRUE.
YOU AND I BOTH SEEM TO SUFFER DIFFICULTY IN ROMANCE-
I KNOW THAT
IT'S NO GOOD ANYMORE.

ONCE THIS WEEKEND IS OVER
GERMANY WILL BE RIGHT IN FRONT OF US!
CHEER UP.
ANYWAYS!
I'M HOME.

SLUMP
THIS ROOM
ALWAYS SMELLS LIKE HIDEO-SAN
ONCE HE GETS HOME
I HAVE TO
SAY GOOD-BYE...

AH SORRY... DID I WAKE YOU?
JUMP
GASP
GOOD WORK TODAY
WANNA GO OUT AND EAT?
HIDE...
EVEN THOUGH HE'S GERMAN HE KEEPS TRYING TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS IN ITALIAN
...SO LIKE THE PROFESSOR IS A PRETTY WEIRD GUY
HONESTLY JUST KEEPING UP WITH HIM IS THE MOST I CAN DO...

AH, SORRY
I WAS RANTING
NO I'M GLAD YOU'RE DOING WELL.
...JUST ONE MORE WEEK UNTIL GERMANY, THEN.
...YES.
I'LL BE WAITING, SO GO DO YOUR BEST.
That was so good.
I'VE BEEN NEGLECTING MY MEALS LATELY
I HAVEN'T EATEN THIS GOOD IN A WHILE EITHER..
SO THIS MADE ME REALLY HAPPY
YEAH IT WAS SO GOOD..
CLANG
CLANG

PLEASE
PROMISE ME
HIDEO-SAN.
CLANG
CLANG
PLEASE FIND HAPPI-NESS.
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
CLANG
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CLANG

THE CURSE I PUT ON YOU 10 YEARS AGO.

WITH THIS, I

CAN MOVE
FORWARDS
THEN WHY
DO I
FEEL THIS

...THAT WASN'T
A CURSE AT ALL.

HIDEO-SAN IS
AN IDIOT...
MY CHEST HURTS
MY HEART HAS STOPPED
EVEN THOUGH I HAVE

AL-WAYS

LOVED YOU.

CAIT
CAIT
WHAT ABOUT ME?!
WE RECEIVED QUITE A FEW LETTERS AFTER HE ANNOUNCED HE WAS QUITTING...
THERE WERE A LOT OF PATIENTS WHO CAME ESPECIALLY FOR AKABOSHI-SENSEI~
BUT IT REALLY WILL GET LONELY
OH MY, SENSEI'S BOTHERED ABOUT FAVOURITISM
HEEEY WHAT'S WITH THE FAVOURITISM
Tch.
Ooh~
WE'RE HERE FOR YOU
EH...
AH SEE... SPEAK OF THE DEVIL
AKABOSHI-SENSEI~ AKANE-CHAN'S MOTHER IS...

...SORRY TO BOTHER YOU BUT I HEARD YOU WERE LEAVING THE HOSPITAL...
NO, I APOLOGISE FOR HOW SUDDEN IT WAS
...SO YOU'RE GOING TO GERMANY.
AH, UMM
I APOLOGISE FOR HOW RUDE MY PARENTS WERE THE OTHER DAY...
YES
PLEASE DON'T LET IT BOTHER YOU...
DOCTOR,
WILL YOU BE RETURNING FROM GERMANY?

MY BROTHER
NO
I'M SORRY
WENT HOME THE OTHER DAY
YES, HE TALKED WITH MOM AND DAD.
HIDEO-SAN DID?
HE SAID THAT HE DIDN'T JUST FALL IN LOVE WITH AKABOSHI-SENSEI IRRESPONSIBLY
THAT IT WASN'T JUST SYMPATHY, AND THAT HE IS ALWAYS PRAYING FOR YOUR HAPPINESS

THAT EVEN IF
YOU WERE TO BREAK UP ONE DAY
HE WOULD NEVER LOVE ANOTHER PERSON MORE THAN YOU.
THAT'S WHY...
...TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, AKABOSHI-SENSEI..

HEEEY, AKABOSHI-SENSEI! THERE'LL BE NO FOOD LEFT SOO-
OI, WHAT'S WRONG?
DID SHE SAY SOMETHING TO YOU?
OI AKABOSHI
THAT PERSON JUST NOW WAS KIKUCHI-SAN'S OLDER SISTER, RIGHT?
I

DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...

...DO YOU HAVE A MOMENT?
...KUZUMI -SAN

TODAY WAS THE LAST DAY AT THE HOSPITAL
FROM TOMORROW, WE'LL SPEND 2 DAYS TRAINING THEN HEAD STRAIGHT TO GERMANY
EH. BUT WASN'T IT FOR 3 YEARS
YEAH, I PROBABLY WON'T BE COMING BACK TO JAPAN
NOT RENTING IT OUT, BUT MOVING OUT?
I like to buy lots of furniture so it's a real pain
AND I HAVE TO MOVE OUT OF THE APARTMENT I'M LIVING IN.
DID AKABOSHI TELL YOU THAT?
3 YEARS WAS A LIE.
THE TEAM WAS PRETTY MUCH FORMED WITH PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN MIND

KIKUCHI-SAN.
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE THERE WON'T BE THE OCCASIONAL CHANCE TO RETURN TO JAPAN...
COULD YOU PLEASE LET GO OF AKABOSHI?

EH ..?
I'VE SAID THIS BEFORE BUT I REALLY DON'T HAVE ANY INTEREST IN THAT WAY.
IN THE FIRST PLACE, I'VE BEEN FRIENDS WITH AKABOSHI SINCE WE WERE STUDENTS. AND I'VE NEVER LOOKED AT HIM LIKE THAT.
...BUT
I RESPECT HIM AS A FRIEND AND I WANT TO SUPPORT HIM AS SOMEONE GOING DOWN THE SAME PATH.
THAT'S WHY IT HURTS TO SEE HIM WAVER AFTER COMING THIS FAR...

...IF KIKUCHI-SAN CAN'T DO ANYTHING FOR AKABOSHI IN THE END THAT'S FINE
YOU CAN JUST SEARCH FOR YOUR OWN HAPPI-NESS
...I WILL
I WILL TAKE AKABOSHI TO GERMANY.

KUZUMI-SENSEI
YOU BOUGHT SO MUCH AGAIN...
YUP, DRINK UP!
SINCE THIS MIGHT BE OUR LAST SUPPER IN JAPAN
...KUZUMI-SENSEI, YOU WENT OUT IN THE EVENING. WAS IT ANOTHER GIRLFRIEND?
MM. PRETTY MUCH!
A LOT HAPPENS IN LIFE!
THAT'S TRUE
I'LL KEEP YOU COMPANY TODAY.
YEAH, THAT'S MORE LIKE IT!

YUM-MY!
YOU SAID YOU'D CONTROL YOURSELF
...SO
WAIT, WAIT, AKABOSHI, YOU'RE DEFINITELY DRINKING TOO FAST.
NO I'M NWOT.
YOU'RE SLURRING YOUR WORDS
SORRY
FOR BREAKING DOWN TODAY.
ARE YOU GONNA BE ALRIGHT?

I'M ACTUALLY GLAD I'VE HWAD SO MWUCH HAPPINESS UNTIL NOW
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ANYMORE
YEAH, IT'S FINE
IT'S FWINE
DO YOU THINK I CAN MEET SOMEONE IN GERMANY?
IS IT PWOSSIBLE?
YEAH
IT'D BE NICE IF I COULD
IF I COULD
THEN

MAYBE IT WOULDN'T
HURT THIS MUCH ANYMORE
AKABOSHI, DO YOU
KNOW WHAT YOUR FACE LOOKS LIKE RIGHT NOW?
WHAT?
WELL
LIKE A DRUNK, I ASSUME

...NOT QUITE.

THAT'S CALLED
A DEFENCE-LESS FACE.
SHALL I TEACH YOU
A WAY TO STOP THE PAIN?

CLOSE
YOUR
EYES